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We claim:

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- 1 1. A apparatus comprising:
- 2 a substrate having a source region, a drain region, and a channel region having a
- 3 void to provide a barrier to lines of force to reduce leakage current.
- 1 2. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said void is located substantially in a center of
- 2 said channel region.
3. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said void is approximately 50 nm across.
- 1 4. The apparatus of claim 3 wherein said void is located at a depth of approximately
- 2 1000 angstroms in said channel region.
- 1 5. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising a gate region.
- 1 6. The apparatus of claim 5 wherein said void is located near an edge of said channel
- region adjacent to said source region.
- 1 7. The apparatus of 6 further comprising a void located near an edge of the channel
- 2 region adjacent said drain region.
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1 8. An apparatus comprising:  
2 a gate region; and  
3 a substrate having a source region, a drain region, a channel region, and a void  
4 below said source region to provide a barrier to lines of force to reduce leakage current.

1 9. The apparatus of claim 8 wherein a void is located below said drain region.

1 10. The apparatus of claim 9 wherein said source region and said drain region are  
2 under compressive stress.

1 11. The apparatus of claim 8 wherein said source region is under tensile stress.

1 12. The apparatus of claim 8 wherein said drain region is under compressive stress.

1 13. The apparatus of claim 8 wherein said gate region is polysilicon.

1 14. The apparatus of claim 8 wherein said gate region is metal.

- 1 15. An apparatus comprising  
2 a gate region having a void to provide a barrier to lines of force to reduce leakage  
3 current; and  
4 a substrate having a source region, a drain region, and a channel region.

- 1 16. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein said void is located at a depth of approximately  
2 1000 angstroms in said gate region.

- 1 17. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein said gate region is polysilicon.

- 1 18. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein said gate region is metal.